## Interview Descriptions: Sylvia Castillo Radio Interview, March 8, 2004

## **Record Information**

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## **Original Interview Description**

Unfortunately, the original interview recorded with Sylvia Castillo as part of the Hijas project had such severe technical problems, that it cannot be used. Although the short radio interview done for a special KPFK/Pacifica program, "We Were There" does not give a great deal of biographical information on Castillo, it does include valuable information about the formation of Hijas de Cuauhtemoc, the Chicana feminist group founded at CSULB.

## **Original Audio Segment Descriptions**

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While attending CSULB in 1970, along with other women, Sylvia Castillo created the organization Hijas de Cuauhtemoc (Hijas) to address the lack of Chicanas on campus. Castillo was involved in conscious-raising to educate women about school, sexuality, and gender. One of the group's main concerns was overcoming the view that women were only valuable for their reproductive system. Castillo was also active in pioneering support groups for sexual assault victims. Castillo and other members of Hijas were often ridiculed, even by other activist groups like MEChA. End of tape.